

And Examination of *Elizabeth Sennet* who was

Try'd at the Kings Bench Barr on Wednesday the 28th Inst. 1719.

She being Accus'd of Murdering her own Child on the 26th of July last.

THE first Evidence for the King was *Alle Moore*, who being Sworn and Examined, said that she was in *Mr. Damsels* House at *Chapel-Izzard* about 14 or 15 Weeks ago and saw the Prisoner at the Bar in a New Kitchen in the said House, and saw her in pain, whereupon she asked her how she was; the said *Sennet* the Prisoner said she was very bad with the Gripes, and was then lying in the Bed, the said *Moore* being her Fellow Servant sat down on a Stool by the Bed-side, whereupon the sd. *Elizabeth Sennet* stretched out her Hand and lean'd upon the said *Alle Moores* Shoulders, and kneel'd on the Ground, and so continued a considerable Time, till one *Mary Williams* another Fellow Servant of theirs came in, who ask'd the said *Elizabeth Sennet* how she did then, who made Answer and said she was bravely, whereby the said *Mary Williams* perceived that she was something Easier, and the said *Mary Williams* desired the sd. *Alle Moore* to come to Dinner, at which the said *Elizabeth Sennet* was not willing to let her go, but afterwards she parted and went into Dinner asking the said *Elizabeth Sennet* whether she should lend her any thing to Eat or not, who bid her to do so if she would; and so left the said *Elizabeth Sennet* in the said Room by her self, and about a quarter of an hour afterwards or less the said *Alle Moore* went to the Room, but did not find the said *Elizabeth Sennet*. Whereupon she presently sought for her, and going out backwards met the said *Elizabeth Sennet* coming from the House of Office with her Hands all Bloody; and went and followed the Track of the Blood till she came to the House of Office, and looking down therein saw a new born Child, and immediately made it known, the Prisoner ask'd her whether she saw any wounds or Bruises or any Disorder in the Body of the Child who answered she did not.

The next Evidence for the King was *Mary Williams* who being Examined said much to the same purpose, but said that she saw her

making some Babby Clouts some time before. That the next Evidence for the King was *Prudence Carty*, *Mr. Damsel* Cook maid, who being Sworn said much to the same Effect, but said she saw no baby Clouts with her, and said that the said *Elizabeth Sennet* had confessed to her that she was with Child all along, and no one knew of it, and that she was Delivered of a dead Child and threw it in the House of Office; but desired the said *Prudence Carty* to keep Council.

The Court ask'd her if the Child had any Disorder in the Body of it, who Answer'd that it had not, and that she verily believ'd that the Child was Dead Borne.

The next Evidence for the King was *Jane Flanagan* who being Sworn and Examined said much to the same purpose, and said that she saw and heard that some Baby Clouts were brought out of the said *Elizabeth Sennets* Box, and put upon the Child after it was taken up out of the House of Office.

The last Evidence for the King was *Stephen Williams* (who was one of the Jury of the Inquest) who being Examined said that he saw no hurt or disorder in the Childs Body, only on one side of it was dirty from the Excrements of the House of Office, and did believe that the Child was Dead Borne.

The Prisoner Call'd a Servant Man belonging to the said *Mr. Damsel* who being Sworn, said that he saw the Prisoner at the Bar making a Childs Neck Cloath about Christmas Last.

They all said that the Child came to its full time, but never heard the Cry of a Child in the Room.

Mr. Damsel (the said *Elizabeth Sennets* Master) gave a very good Character of her.

The Charge being given to the Jury with great partiality according to Justice, by the Judge, and the Jury in a very little time brought in their Verdict that she was not Guilty; whereupon the said *Elizabeth Sennet* was acquitted She gave God thanks) There was a great Huzza given in Court, there was a great Number of Women, who are and was the most aptest to speak against another Woman.

'Tis really believ'd by all persons that heard the Tryal that the Child was Dead Borne.